

<010>	Study Area Code	411777	Received & Inspected
<015>	Study Area Name	GOLDEN BELT TEL ASSN	
<020>	Program Year	2015	JUN 26 2014
<030>	Contact Name: Person USAC should contact with questions about this data	Gina Roney	
<035>	Contact Telephone Number: Number of the person identified in data line <030>	7192664334 ext.	FCC Mail Room
<039>	Contact Email Address: Email of the person identified in data line <030>	groney@tcatel.com	

<100>	Service Quality Improvement Reporting	(complete attached worksheet)	(check box when complete)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<200>	Outage Reporting (voice)	(complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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<510>	411777KS510.pdf	(attached descriptive document)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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<1200>	Terms and Condition for Lifeline Customers	(complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Price Cap Carriers, Proceed to Price Cap Additional Documentation Worksheet

Including Rate-of-Return Carriers affiliated with Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers

<2000>	(check to indicate certification)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Rate of Return Carriers, Proceed to ROR Additional Documentation Worksheet			
<3000>	(check to indicate certification)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<3005>	(complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

**(100) Service Quality Improvement Reporting
Data Collection Form**

FCC Form 481

OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-9819
July 2013

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<110>	Has your company received its ETC certification from the FCC?	(yes / no) <input checked="" type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>
<111>	If your answer to Line <110> is yes, do you have an existing §54.202(a) "5 year plan" filed with the FCC?	(yes / no) <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>

If your answer to Line <111> is yes, then you are required to file a progress report, on line <112> delineating the status of your company's existing § 54.202(a) "5 year plan" on file with the FCC, as it relates to your provision of voice telephony service.

<112> Attach Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan or, in subsequent years, your annual progress report filed pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(a)(1). If your company is a CETC which only receives frozen support, your progress report is only required to address voice telephony service.

411777KS112.pdf

Name of Attached Document

Please check these boxes below to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 112, contains a progress report on its five-year service quality improvement plan pursuant to § 54.202(a). The information shall be submitted at the wire center level or census block as appropriate.

<113>	Maps detailing progress towards meeting plan targets	<input type="checkbox"/>
<114>	Report how much universal service (USF) support was received	<input type="checkbox"/>
<115>	How (USF) was used to improve service quality	<input type="checkbox"/>
<116>	How (USF) was used to improve service coverage	<input type="checkbox"/>
<117>	How (USF) was used to improve service capacity	<input type="checkbox"/>
<118>	Provide an explanation of network improvement targets not met in the prior calendar year.	<input type="checkbox"/>

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[illegible]

<701>	Residential Local Service Charge Effective Date	1/1/2014
<702>	Single State-wide Residential Local Service Charge	18.25

[illegible]

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<910> Tribal Land(s) on which ETC Serves

<920> Tribal Government Engagement Obligation

Name of Attached Document

If your company serves Tribal lands, please select (Yes, No, NA) for each these boxes to confirm the status described on the attached document(s), on line 920, demonstrates coordination with the Tribal government pursuant to § 54.313(a)(9) includes:

- | | |
|--|--|
| <p><921> Needs assessment and deployment planning with a focus on Tribal community anchor institutions.</p> <p><922> Feasibility and sustainability planning;</p> <p><923> Marketing services in a culturally sensitive manner;</p> <p><924> Compliance with Rights of way processes</p> <p><925> Compliance with Land Use permitting requirements</p> <p><926> Compliance with Facilities Siting rules</p> <p><927> Compliance with Environmental Review processes</p> <p><928> Compliance with Cultural Preservation review processes</p> <p><929> Compliance with Tribal Business and Licensing requirements.</p> | <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">Select
(Yes, No,
NA)</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 40px; height: 15px; margin: 2px;"></div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 40px; height: 15px; margin: 2px;"></div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 40px; height: 15px; margin: 2px;"></div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 40px; height: 15px; margin: 2px;"></div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 40px; height: 15px; margin: 2px;"></div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 40px; height: 15px; margin: 2px;"></div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 40px; height: 15px; margin: 2px;"></div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 40px; height: 15px; margin: 2px;"></div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 40px; height: 15px; margin: 2px;"></div> |
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Please check this box to confirm no terrestrial backhaul
<1120> options exist within the supported area pursuant to § 54.313(G) ☐

Please check this box to confirm the reporting carrier offers
<1130> broadband service of at least 1 Mbps downstream and 256 kbps
upstream within the supported area pursuant to § 54.313(G) ☐



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<1210> Terms & Conditions of Voice Telephony Lifeline Plans

411777KB1210.pdf

Name of Attached Document

<1220> Link to Public Website

HTTP

"Please check these boxes below to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 1210, or the website listed, on line 1220, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.422(a)(2) annual reporting for ETCs receiving low-income support, carriers must annually report:

- <1221> Information describing the terms and conditions of any voice telephony service plans offered to Lifeline subscribers, ☒
- <1222> Details on the number of minutes provided as part of the plan, ☒
- <1223> Additional charges for toll calls, and rates for each such plan. ☒



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<039>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	gkoney@catel.com

CHECK the boxes below to note compliance as a recipient of Incremental Connect America Phase I support, frozen High Cost support, High Cost support to offset access charge reductions, and Connect America Phase II support as set forth in 47 CFR § 54.313(b),(c),(d),(e) the information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.

Incremental Connect America Phase I reporting		
<2010>	2nd Year Certification (47 CFR § 54.313(b)(1))	<input type="checkbox"/>
<2011>	3rd Year Certification (47 CFR § 54.313(b)(2))	<input type="checkbox"/>
Price Cap Carrier Receiving Frozen Support Certification (47 CFR § 54.312(a))		
<2012>	2013 Frozen Support Certification	<input type="checkbox"/>
<2013>	2014 Frozen Support Certification	<input type="checkbox"/>
<2014>	2015 Frozen Support Certification	<input type="checkbox"/>
<2015>	2016 and future Frozen Support Certification	<input type="checkbox"/>
Price Cap Carrier Connect America ICC Support (47 CFR § 54.313(d))		
<2016>	Certification Support Used to Build Broadband	<input type="checkbox"/>
Connect America Phase II Reporting (47 CFR § 54.313(e))		
<2017>	3rd year Broadband Service Certification	<input type="checkbox"/>
<2018>	5th year Broadband Service Certification	<input type="checkbox"/>
<2019>	Interim Progress Certification	<input type="checkbox"/>
<2020>	Please check the box to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 2021, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313 (e)(3)(ii), as a recipient of CAF Phase II support shall provide the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year.	<input type="checkbox"/>

<2021> Interim Progress Community Anchor Institutions

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

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CHECK the boxes below to note compliance on its five year service quality plan (pursuant to 47 CFR § 54.302(a)) and, for privately held carriers, ensuring compliance with the financial reporting requirements set forth in 47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2). I further certify that the information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.

- (3010) Progress Report on 5 Year Plan
Milestone Certification (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(ii))

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

- (3011) Please check this box to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 3012 contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313(f)(1)(ii), the carrier shall provide the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year. ☐

- (3012) Community Anchor Institutions (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(ii))

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

- (3013) Is your company a Privately Held ROR Carrier (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2)) (Yes/No) ☐ Yes ☐ No

- (3014) If yes, does your company file the RUS annual report (Yes/No) ☐ Yes ☐ No

Please check these boxes to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 3017, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2) compliance requires:

- (3015) Electronic copy of their annual RUS reports (Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers) ☒

- (3016) Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows ☒

- (3017) If the response is yes on line 3014, attach your company's RUS annual report and all required documentation

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

- (3018) If the response is no on line 3014, is your company audited? (Yes/No) ☐ Yes ☐ No

If the response is yes on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission, on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains:

- (3019) Either a copy of their audited financial statement; or (2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications ☐

- (3020) Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows ☐

- (3021) Management letter issued by the independent certified public accountant that performed the company's financial audit. ☐

If the response is no on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission, on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains:

- (3022) Copy of their financial statement which has been subject to review by an independent certified public accountant; or 2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers. ☐

- (3023) Underlying information subjected to a review by an independent certified public accountant ☐

- (3024) Underlying information subjected to an officer certification. ☐

- (3025) Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows ☐

- (3026) Attach the worksheet listing required information

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information



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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF THE REPORTING CARRIER IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTING ON ITS OWN BEHALF:

Certification of Officer as to the Accuracy of the Data Reported for the Annual Reporting for CAF or LI Recipients	
I certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual reporting requirements for universal service support recipients; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported on this form and in any attachments is accurate.	
Name of Reporting Carrier:	
Signature of Authorized Officer:	Date
Printed name of Authorized Officer:	
Title or position of Authorized Officer:	
Telephone number of Authorized Officer:	
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier:	Filing Due Date for this form:
Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.	

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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF AN AGENT IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTS ON THE CARRIER'S BEHALF:

Certification of Officer to Authorize an Agent to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier	
I certify that (Name of Agent) <u>Gina Roney</u> is authorized to submit the information reported on behalf of the reporting carrier. I also certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual data reporting requirements provided to the authorized agent; and, to the best of my knowledge, the reports and data provided to the authorized agent is accurate.	
Name of Authorized Agent:	Gina Roney
Name of Reporting Carrier:	GOLDEN BELT TEL ASSN
Signature of Authorized Officer:	CERTIFIED ONLINE
Printed name of Authorized Officer:	Beau Rebel
Title or position of Authorized Officer:	General Manager
Telephone number of Authorized Officer:	7853724236 ext.
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier:	411777
Filing Due Date for this form:	07/01/2014
Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.	

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE AUTHORIZED AGENT:

Certification of Agent Authorized to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier	
I, as agent for the reporting carrier, certify that I am authorized to submit the annual reports for universal service support recipients on behalf of the reporting carrier; I have provided the data reported herein based on data provided by the reporting carrier; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported herein is accurate.	
Name of Reporting Carrier:	GOLDEN BELT TEL ASSN
Name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	Gina Roney
Signature of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	CERTIFIED ONLINE
Printed name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	Gina Roney
Title or position of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	Sr Financial Consultant
Telephone number of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	7192664334 ext.
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Attachments

**Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of)	
)	
Connect America Fund)	CC Docket No. 10-90
)	
Lifeline and Link Up Reform and Modernization)	WC Docket No. 11-42
)	

**Request of Golden Belt Telephone Association, Inc.
For Confidential Treatment**

Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 0.459 of the Commission's Rules, Golden Belt Telephone Association, Inc. requests confidentiality with respect to the submission of the Five-Year Build-Out Plan of Golden Belt Telephone Association, Inc. in CC Docket No. 10-90 and WC Docket No. 11-42.

The following information is submitted pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 0.459(b) of the Commission's rules:

- (1) Golden Belt Telephone Association, Inc. requests that the Company's Five-Year Build-Out Plan and Narrative Description and attached herewith be given confidential treatment.
- (2) The Company's Five-Year Build-Out Plan and Narrative Description are submitted to the Commission pursuant to the *USF/ICC Transformation Order* (November 18, 2011) and 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.202(a)(1)(ii) and 54.313(a)(1).
- (3) Specific details, including financial, contained in the Company's Five-Year Build-Out Plan and Narrative Description are confidential commercial information routinely withheld from public inspection in accordance with 47 C.F.R. § 0.457(d).
- (4) The information contained the Company's Five-Year Build-Out Plan and Narrative Description is of both a financial and competitive nature regarding the provision of telecommunications services. The telecommunications industry is highly competitive.

- (5) The financial and competitive information provided herein is information that would not customarily be released to the public. Due to the competitive environment of the marketplace, release of this information could substantially harm Golden Belt Telephone Association, Inc.'s business and physical infrastructure.
- (6) In order to prevent unauthorized disclosure of the subject information, the attached Five-Year Build-Out Plan and Narrative Description are being filed via express delivery service.
- (7) The subject information is not available to the public or any third parties.
- (8) Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 0.457(d), the subject material is not routinely available for public inspection and should continue to be withheld from public inspection at any time now or in the future.
- (9) Not applicable.

Respectfully submitted,

By: 

Beau Rebel

General Manager

Golden Belt Telephone Assoc., Inc.

103 Lincoln Street

Rush Center, KS 67575

(785) 372-4236

Date

June 23, 2014

REDACTED – FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION

June 23, 2014

Charles Tyler
Telecommunications Access Policy Division
Wireline Competition Bureau
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Room 5-A452
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO 47 C.F.R. § 0.459(b)

Dear Mr. Tyler:

Enclosed herein is one copy of the Five-Year Build-Out Plan and Narrative Description of Golden Belt Telephone Association, Inc., Study Area Code 411777 — Stamped Confidential — in accordance with 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.202(a)(1)(ii) and 54.313(a)(1) of the Commission's rules. Golden Belt Telephone Association, Inc. has redacted its entire Five-Year Build-Out Plan and Narrative Description. Golden Belt Telephone Association, Inc. requests that the enclosed confidential information be deemed material not to be made routinely available for public inspection under the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.459(a) and 0.459(a)(3).

Respectfully submitted,



Beau Rebel
General Manager

411777KS112

Attachment 1
Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan
Golden Belt Telephone Association, Inc.

Exchange	2015 Projected Capital Expenditures	2016 - 2019 Projected Capital Expenditures
	TOTAL	TOTAL
Albert	\$77,643	\$39,130
Alexander	\$53,950	\$73,938
Bazine	\$71,500	\$61,068
Beeler	\$53,950	\$89,733
Bison	\$64,188	\$50,538
Brownell	\$75,888	\$39,130
Burdett	\$75,888	\$54,925
Ellis	\$53,950	\$57,265
Garfield	\$53,950	\$91,781
Lewis	\$53,950	\$94,413
McCracken	\$72,670	\$46,150
Ness	\$53,950	\$97,045
Otis	\$65,650	\$50,538
Ransom	\$58,045	\$69,550
Rozel	\$64,480	\$65,456
Rush Center	\$1,553,050	\$6,511,518
Timken	\$62,140	\$61,068
Utica	\$53,950	\$67,795
total	\$2,618,792	\$7,621,041

Operating Expenses		
Plant Specific Operations	\$2,037,246	\$8,289,147
Plant Non-Specific Operations	\$632,315	\$3,413,330
Customer Operations	\$474,199	\$1,896,796
Corporate Operations	\$1,539,280	\$6,312,590
Other Operating Taxes	\$303,573	\$1,214,292
Depreciation Expense	\$2,812,049	\$10,034,194
total	\$7,998,662	\$31,160,355

Capital Costs		
Interest Expense	\$615,933	\$2,032,692
Principal Repayment	\$632,120	\$3,759,498
Income Taxes*	\$0	\$0

Population Served 6773 6773

Area Served 3230 Sq miles 3230 Sq miles

*Does not include any cost of equity capital.

PROPRIETARY AND CONFIDENTIAL

Attachment 2

Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan

Golden Belt Telephone Association, Inc.

Narrative Description

The Company has plans for a number of specific improvement projects for 2015, including new line extensions and equipment installations, cable and other equipment additions and upgrades, and maintenance of existing facilities. These projects will significantly improve voice service coverage, broadband access and speeds, and the overall capacity of the Company's network. From 2016 to 2019, the Company's service quality improvement plans are much less definite due to the uncertainties stemming from the financial impact of USF/ICC reforms. Nevertheless, the Company has evaluated its network carefully and intends to continue making improvements assuming high-cost support mechanisms continue at no less than current levels in the years 2014 and beyond.

The Company has recently completed connecting its subscribers to fiber facilities at a cost of \$16,356,431. Accordingly, it anticipates minimal additional capital expenditures to further extend these facilities within its service territory over the next five years. Nevertheless, the Company will continue to replace, maintain and upgrade fiber facilities, switching and transmission equipment as needed to give our customers the best service possible. The Company anticipates using the majority of its federal high cost support over the next five years to repay the providers of debt and equity capital that provided the funding to enable the deployment of a state-of-the-art network in a sparsely-populated, high cost area.

As set out in **Attachment 1**, the Company estimates that its total capital expenditures in 2015 within the State of Kansas will be approximately \$2,618,792. The Company also estimates that it will incur approximately \$7,998,662 in operating expenses providing service during 2015. In addition, the Company estimates that it will repay debt totaling \$1,448,053, which debt was incurred to fund projects to improve voice service coverage, broadband access and speeds, and the overall capacity of the Company's network. The Company estimates that its service quality improvements planned for 2015 will serve a population of approximately 6,773 and covers an area of approximately 3,230 square miles.

Attachment 1 also sets out the projected capital expenditures, operating expenses, debt repayment, and population and area served for the years 2016-2019.

The aggregate dollar estimates stated above, as well as the projections set out in **Attachment 1**, are the Company's current estimates based on budget forecasts. Projections of this sort are by nature uncertain and invariably change by the time projects are completed. The Company also notes that, from year-to-year, the number and size of network improvement projects change, particularly as the Company approaches completion of network expansion and upgrades throughout its service territory. Therefore, the total capital expenditures and operating expenses will vary year-to-year regardless of the amount of USF disbursement received in each year.

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Line 510: Service Quality Standards & Consumer Protection Rules Compliance

Service Quality Standards

The company complies with the service quality standards as adopted in the Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC) Docket Nos. 191,206-U and 95-GIMT-047-GIT.

Consumer Protection Rules

The company complies with the following consumer protection rules:

- FCC rules regarding verification of orders for telecommunications service as required of submitting carriers {47 CFR §64.1100}
- The FCC's Truth-in-Billing Requirements {47 CFR §64.2400}
- Billing practice standards as set out in KCC Docket No. 06-GIMT-187-GIT and subsequent billing practice standards approved by the KCC.
- All of the requirements of 47 C.F.R. § Part 64 Subpart U, Customer Proprietary Network Information and Federal Trade Commission 16 C.F.R. §681, Identity Theft Red Flags

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Line 610: Functionality in Emergency Situations

- The company maintains a reasonable amount of back-up power to ensure functionality without an external power source, is able to reroute traffic around damaged facilities, and is capable of managing traffic spikes resulting from emergency situations. {47 CFR §54.202(a)}
- The company has made reasonable provisions to meet emergencies resulting from power failures; sudden and prolonged increases in traffic; staff shortages; and fire, storm, and acts of God.

<701>	Residential Local Service Charge Effective Date	1/1/2014
<702>	Single State-wide Residential Local Service Charge	18.25

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Form 481 Line 1010: §54.313 (a) (10) – Pricing of Voice Services

The company's retail monthly residential local service rate is \$18.25.

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Lifeline Assistance is a government assistance program sponsored by the FCC to reduce rates for primary residential telephone service to qualifying subscribers who receive income-based benefits.

Lifeline subscribers may receive unlimited local calling at a discount of \$9.25.

Eligible customers may obtain Toll Blocking or Limited Toll Blocking free of charge. The Company's voice lifeline plan does not include any free minutes of use for toll. Eligible customers that elect to take Toll Blocking will not be required to pay a service deposit. Toll calls are charged at standard rates.

Limitations:

- ✓ The discounts are applicable only on the end user's principal residence line.
- ✓ One discount per household for eligible participants is allowed. Discount is applicable towards primary residential connections only. The telephone service must be listed in your name. A household is everyone who lives together at your address as one economic unit.
- ✓ Service is non-transferable.

Eligibility Requirements:

- ✓ Participant must be verified eligible prior to participation.
- ✓ With income at or below 135% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines.
- ✓ Participating in any of the following programs: Medicaid, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (f.k.a. Food Stamps), Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Federal Public Housing Assistance (Section 8), Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), National School Lunch Program's free lunch program, and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families .
- ✓ Lifeline subscribers must re-certify eligibility each year.
- ✓ To determine if you are eligible, please contact the business office at (785) 372-4236.

The Link Up support has been eliminated of April 1, 2012.